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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION  
AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the February 10, 2005 Office Action which set a three-month period for reply. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.136(a) and 1.17(a), it is respectfully requested that the period for reply be extended three months, i.e., to up to and including August 10, 2005. Enclosed herewith is a check in the amount of \$510.00 in payment of the fee therefor and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additionally required fee, or to credit

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